

IOWA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Des Moines City, Ia

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Dear Betty,

I forgot to give you Mrs
Alvern Wendel's address in my
last note. It is just Bronson, Iowa.
I ran into her down town the other
day and she asked me to ask you
to write her and tell her how much
vacation you have. The County
Library Board is working on by-laws
she said, not knowing much about
this business they got her "2 weeks"
for the librarian. I guess Mrs
Bronson was disappointed. I told
Mrs W. no librarian would be
able to stand the missed life
in only two weeks. Do you have
such matters in the by-laws?
I wouldn't think so.

I had a visit over the phone
with Bob Orr last week
relative to the Extension Committee's
proposed amendment. They are
suggesting an amendment which
would make it necessary for
any town which wishes to withdraw
for the County to have the consent
of the people and the consent of
the County Library Board. Bob
thought the latter could be dispensed
upon to refuse to let, Connecticut,
for instance, withdraw. I would
rather see a law on that
which would make it impossible
for them to withdraw after the
entire County voted on the service.

When are you coming up? So
sorry you were not here this past
week. We did seven performances
of "Two Blind Mice" and loved every
minute of it. Pikey is glad it's over!
Will be looking for you
D Lawrence

February 26, 1951

Dear Florence,

Our last letters seem to have crossed, so by this time you already know my opinion of the amendment, and you have the same idea expressed better and more positively.

I've written to Mrs. Wendel. In the same mail as your letter came one from Miss Buskirk asking about the same thing. I've written to her, too. No, we do not have such things in the by-laws. I sent Miss B. a copy of our by-laws some time ago. I don't know whether she gave them to the board as a sample or is using them herself. I forgot to mention to Mrs. Wendel that we didn't have them in the ~~xxx~~ by-laws.

I too am sorry I couldn't make Sioux City the week-end you were having your play. I'd have liked to have seen it. Now it looks as though I wouldn't be making it at all, darn it. Things are too much with us again! And we've got to get that bookmobile ordered before they say there's no more material for the darn things.

The Old Mis' is sure kicking up this morning. A lot of the ice outside my windows has broken up and the west wind is raising white caps this morning.

Millie Allen had a brain storm last week. She wants the Register to do a Sunday feature on the Scott County Library for next Sunday's edition. If nothing happens to stop it they'll send a couple boys out between Rockets on Thursday this week. I hope they can make it. It should help the state-wide situation. One of my biggest problems for the story is going to be to get and keep the trucks clean! As they are today they'd sure look terrible in a picture.

Take it easy, Florence; and I'll be seeing you.

Sincerely,